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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

March 16, 1981

Mr. Thomas H. White
Chief, Information Services Staff
Directorate of Administration
Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Tom:

For some time now, I have been conscious of the need for a clearer and more explicit statement of the procedures for obtaining CIA clearance on materials selected for possible publication in the Foreign Relations of the United States series.

As you know, a decision was recently made in this Department allocating to CDC the responsibility for coordination with other agencies of the government on clearance of materials for the series. I am therefore now able to provide the following statement of procedures.

First, with respect to the material selected for the volumes covering the period 1950 - 1954 which had to be re-reviewed (see attached list):

- (a) The Classification Review Division (CRD) of your office will review again for declassification those portions of the volumes which had been sent initially to CIA by the Department's Historical Office for declassification review;
- (b) CDC's Office of Systematic Review (CDC/SR) will bring to CRD's attention any documents discovered in the course of the CDC/SR declassification review which CDC/SR concludes should have been sent to CIA for its initial review, but in fact were not. CDC/SR will submit all materials containing information of concern to your Agency.
- (c) CRD will advise CDC/SR of its clearance of a given volume on the condition that any document or portions of documents which, by CRD's determination, must be withheld to protect national

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OUR ORIGINAL. SEE NO
PROBLEM, THOUGH.

security, will not be included in the volume.
[We would reserve the right to discuss further
with you any items withheld which we have
reasons to believe can be released.]

Concerning the material selected for the 1955 - 1957 and
subsequent volumes, if the material has already been sub-
mitted to you we will follow procedures similar to those
outlined above, i.e., CDC/SR will submit to you any
additional materials containing information of concern to

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ONLY WHAT IS CONSIDERED
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HE WILL GIVE US EVERY-
THING.

your Agency. If the material has not yet been submitted,
CDC/SR will make the initial selection of material and will
make certain that everything of concern to your Agency is
submitted in the first instance. Again we would honor any
conditional clearances subject to further discussion on
materials we believe can be released.

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I THINK CLAY HAS
TO UNDERSTAND THAT
WE CANNOT GUARANTEE
THAT A GIVEN DO
DESK, PUT IN THE
LOOP FOR REVIEW,
WON'T GO AHEAD ON
ITS OWN TO CONTACT
ITS COUNTERPART
DESK, FOR WHATEVER
REASON. WE HAVE NO
WAY TO STOP THEM.

With regard to communication from your Agency to the
Department on these matters, I would, in turn, appreciate
your assurance that they will remain in these channels. We
have had one recent experience of such communications in
other channels that led to some confusion on this end.

I trust that these procedures will meet your requirements.

Sincerely,

Clayton E. McManaway
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Classification/Declassification Center
Bureau of Administration

Attachments: As stated

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SENT TO STATE
FOR COORDINATION

Mr. Clayton E. McManaway
Deputy Assistant Secretary of State
for Classification and Declassification
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Clay:

I believe it would be appropriate at this time to record the informal procedure our organizations have been following to date to review and clear the several volumes of the Foreign Relations of the United States series which are currently being re-examined prior to their publication. A list of these volumes is attached. We understand the procedures to be as follows:

(a) Our Classification Review Division (CRD) will review again for declassification those portions of the volumes which had been sent initially to this Agency by the Department's Historical Office for declassification review.

No CHANGE.
OK

(b) Your Systematic Review Section (SRS) will bring to CRD's attention any documents discovered in the course of the SRS declassification review which had not been given to this Agency for its initial review. CRD will review these documents and advise SRS directly of its decision.

No SIGNIFICANT
CHANGE.
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(c) CRD will then advise the Office of the Historian, with an information copy to SRS, of its clearance of a given volume.

No CHANGE.
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CRD will note that such clearance is based on the condition that any documents or portions of documents which, by CRD's determination, must be withheld to protect national security, will not be included in the volume, [and further that the clearance is contingent upon written assurance by the Department of State that the material remaining in the volume which has not been sent to this Agency for review contains no information of concern to this Agency. We are trusting in SRS and its review, of course, for such assurances.]

As you know, it has been the practice of the Historian's Office to date to send this Agency for pre-publication review only those documents which HO has determined to be of interest to us. As we have learned, their judgment in this regard has not been without fault. Therefore, as new volumes of the series are sent to us for review hereafter, we request that copies of all documents proposed for publication in the volume be forwarded for our review, determination of interest, and consequent clearance or denial.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. White
Director of Information Services
Directorate of Administration

Attachment:
List of FRUS Volumes

PORTION
DROPPED
FROM CDC'S
PROPOSAL
WOULD LIKE TO
DISCUSS.

CLAY'S VERSION
DOESN'T READ
THIS WAY (SEE MY NOTE),
BUT LARRY
ASSURES ME
WE WILL GET
EVERYTHING.

List of Volumes of the
Foreign Relations of the United States Series
Which are to be Re-Reviewed Prior to Publication

1950, Volume IV, Central and Eastern Europe; The Soviet Union
1951, Volume III, European Security and the German Question
1951, Volume IV, Europe: Political and Economic Developments
1951, Volume V, Near East and Africa
1951, Volume VII, China and Tibet
1952-54, Volume I, General: Economic and Political Matters
1952-54, Volume II, National Security Affairs
1952-54, Volume IV, Latin America
1952-54, Volume V, Western European Security
1952-54, Volume VI, Western Europe and Canada
1952-54, Volume VII, Germany and Austria -- Central Europe
1952-54, Volume VIII, Eastern Europe; The Soviet Union
1952-54, Volume IX, Near and Middle East
1952-54, Volume X, Egypt and Iran*
1952-54, Volume XI, Africa and South Asia
1952-54, Volume XII, East Asia and the Pacific
1952-54, Volume XIII, Indochina
1952-54, Volume XIV, China and Japan
1952-54, Volume XV, Korea
1952-54, Volume XVI, The Geneva Convention
1955-57, Volume IX, Africa and South Asia
1955-57, Volume X, East Asian Security and Indochina
1955-57, Volume XI, East Asia and the Pacific

*May be combined with 1952-54, Volume IX,
after material on Iran is withdrawn.

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10 March 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: Information Review Office, DDO

FROM:

[REDACTED]
Chief, Classification Review Division

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SUBJECT: Department of State Manuscripts Concerning Korea
and China, Vol. VII, 1951 (Foreign Relations of
the United States (FRUS) Series)

1. Attached are manuscripts destined for publication as Volume VII of the series "Foreign Relations of the United States." We have reviewed these documents with regard to CIA equities and have placed them in three categories; i.e., no objection to declassification, retain classification, or sanitize before publication. We would appreciate your expeditious review in order that we may return this material to the Department of State, as soon as possible.

2. Following is a description of the material attached:

Attachment A: Two red jackets; one entitled "1951 VII Korea and China (1) 1 DEN - 500 DEN; 1 JUN - 19 JUN, and the other entitled 1951 VII Korea and China (2) 99 JUN - 500 JUN; 1 JUL - 206 JUL. We have no objection to declassification of all the materials in these jackets, with the exception of 153-160 JUL, Special Intelligence Estimate. (Total pages: 1,191)

Attachment B - Thirty-eight documents reviewed by the DDO in late 1976. You will note that we do not agree with 21 of the decisions reached by the DDO. Our reasons are cited on individual Review Worksheets attached to the appropriate documents. (Total pages: 155)

Attachment C - Twenty-six documents reviewed by various National Intelligence Officers in September 1976. Eleven of the documents duplicate those reviewed by the DDO. Both components in general agreed on the disposition of ten of the documents. We disagreed with the opinions of the NIO officers on two documents, 153-160 JUL and 209-231 JUL. (Total pages: 145)

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attachment.

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Attachment D - Four documents reviewed by OER. We concur with OER's recommendations. (Total pages: 16)

Attachment E - Eleven miscellaneous documents plus a seven-page memorandum for President Truman. We recommend declassification of all this material except for 496-497 JUL, which we believe should retain its classification. (Total pages: 33)

3. If you have any questions regarding the disposition of these materials, please phone

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Attachments:

- "A" Two red jackets
- "B" 38 Documents
- "C" 26 Documents
- "D" 4 Documents
- "E" 11 Documents

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

February 26, 1981

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[Redacted]
Chief, Classification Review Division
Office of Information Services
Directorate of Administration

Dear [Redacted]

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Your letter of February 13, 1981, enclosing a printout showing results of your review of the Joint Army Navy Intelligence Studies, was much appreciated. I plan to circulate it to the interested offices in this Department for their use.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Clayton E. McManaway".

Clayton E. McManaway
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Classification/Declassification
Bureau of Administration

24 February 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Classification Review Division

THROUGH: Chief, Administration Branch

FROM:

[redacted]
Administration Branch

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SUBJECT: Foreign Relations of the United States
Volume VII, 1951, China & Korea [redacted]

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1. [redacted] travelled to the State Department on 23 February 1981 to talk to Larry Pickering about FRUS, Volume VII, 1951, China and Korea. The CRD officers also obtained a batch of material to review on China/Tibet/Korea which numbered 504 pages (see listed pages on attached sheet). [redacted] has retained this material and is beginning to process it.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

11 February 1981

Mr. Lawrence Pickering
Chief, Classification and Declassification
Center/Systematic Review
Bureau of Administration
The Department of State
Room 1239, New State Building
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Larry:

Thank you for sending us pages 346-47 LEM of Foreign Relations of the United States, Volume XI, 1952-54, Africa and South Asia. Our records were not completely clear as to the determination which we had made on release of 346 LEM.

We have reviewed these pages and make no objection to the publication of 346 LEM and the continuation of Memorandum No. 11 on page 347 LEM. We also note that the deletions marked on the lower half of 347 LEM are in accordance with our discussion of last September.

Thank you again for your help.

Sincerely,



Chief, Classification Review Division
Office of Information Services
Directorate of Administration

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

11 February 1981

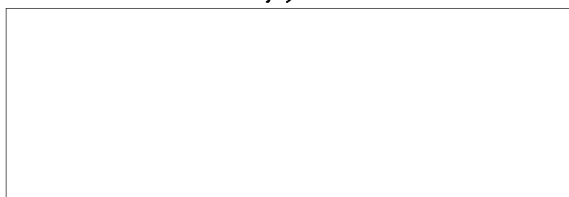
Mr. Clayton McManaway
Deputy Assistant Secretary of State
Classification/Declassification Center
Room 2811, New State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. McManaway:

We recently completed our review of the Joint Army Navy Intelligence Studies (JANIS) and are forwarding herewith a printout from our ADP system which lists the chapters in our holdings and indicates the review action we have taken.

You may use this printout as authority to declassify any chapters listed that may be in your possession. We believe our holdings are complete, but, if you should find any chapters not on our list, we will be happy to review them as well and add the results to our data base.

Sincerely,



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Chief, Classification Review Division
Office of Information Services
Directorate of Administration

Attachment:
Listing of JANIS chapters



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

February 10, 1981

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MEMORANDUM

TO: A/CDC - Clayton E. McManaway

FROM: NEA - Peter Constable *PC*

SUBJ: Iran and Freedom of Information

REF: Your Memorandum of Feb. 3, 1981

We agree with your memorandum that with the release of the hostages we should take a fresh look at Iran FOI material. While we can obviously be more liberal than our previously very restrictive guidelines, there remain areas of great sensitivity. We hope that your staff can continue to work closely with NEA/IRN in those sensitive areas.

We suggest that recently retired FSO-1 Charles W. Naas be assigned prime responsibility for reviewing all Iran materials. Mr. Naas was deeply involved in Iranian affairs as Country Director and DCM from summer 1974 to summer 1979.

In our view there are four general guidelines that apply to all Iran materials:

--No release of documents that would reveal intelligence sources, methods, plans or operations;

--No release of material that would place in personal jeopardy any American or any friendly Iranian or other national;

--A willingness to release documents that illustrate the broad outlines of US policy towards Iran at the particular time;

--No release of documents that would seriously complicate efforts to create a new relationship with Iran in the future. We would anticipate that in this crucial area, we would exempt from release material which would compromise the conduct of national defense or foreign policy, as spelled out in FOI regulations.

In addition, we would like to suggest the following considerations for the specific periods under review:

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1951-1955 Documents for FRUS and FOI - A simplified and distorted version of the events of this period has become political dogma in Iran and elsewhere. The release of the full diplomatic record would help to provide a better balance in accounts of our role. For that balance, however, it will be essential to cover our dealings with the British. To exclude the story of US-British cooperation on Iran will not give a true picture of US decisions. We suggest that the Department consult with the ECO to work out practical arrangements for possible release of documents from this record.

1956-February 1979 - Within the general guidelines, we believe we could release much economic, consular and routine political reporting. There would seem to be very few documents of this sort from this period that could not be released in connection with litigation, but that, as on other subjects, would be decided within the guidelines noted above.

February 1979-November 1979 - Many of the documents held in Embassy Tehran files prior to November 4, 1979, can be considered compromised. Through checking this carefully and keeping in mind the general guidelines, many of these documents could be released.

November 1979-January 1981 - Much, but by no means all, of the diplomatic record for this period has been discussed. We recommend release of documents that conform to the general guidelines and that might help to clarify public understanding of the diplomatic activity to free the hostages.